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FOR SENIOR CIVIL COORDINATORS FROM IATF

1. WOULD-BE REPATRIATES SHOULD BE MADE AWARE OF FOLLOWING
HANOI BROADCAST MONITORED BY FBIS.

2. BEGIN TEXT. ARMY PAPER: UNILATERAL REFUGEE RETURN
INFRINGES VIETNAM SOVEREIGNTY. HANOI IN VIETNAMESE TO
VIETNAM 2300 GMT 10 OCT 74 BK. UNDER THE TITLE, QTE A
SINISTER SCHEME, A TRICK TO DECEIVE PUBLIC OPINION, QTE
TODAY'S QUAN DOI NHAN DAN WRITES:

DESPITE THE FACT THAT THE PRGRSV HAS NOT YET GRANTED
PERMISSION, THE FORD ADMINISTRATION HAS BEEN FEVERISHLY
PUSHING FORWARD ITS SCHEME OF RETURNING TO SOUTH VIETNAM
1,600 PERSONS LURED AND FORCED BY IT INTO EMIGRATING IN
THE PAST.

ACCORDING TO FOREIGN REPORTS, ON 9 OCT BRIGADIER
GEN HERBERT, THE OFFICER IN CHARGE OF COORDINATING US
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TASK FORCES ON GUAM, WAS DIRECTING US NAVY MEN IN

HURRIEDLY TRAINING VIETNAMESE SAILORS OF THE SHIP "THUONG TIN" THE VESSEL DESIGNATED BY THE AMERICANS TO BRING THE SAID VIETNAMESE HOME. THEY HAD LAUNCHED THE SHIP ON A TEST RUN IN HARBOR AND ON A NIGHT SAILING TRIAL ON THE OPEN SEA WHILE HURRIEDLY SUPPLYING THE SHIP WITH FOOD AND EQUIP FOR A ONE-MONTH CRUISE. HERBERT RASHLY SUID THAT SENDING THE SHIP QTE THUONG TIN QTE TO SAIGON WAS AIMED AT MEETING THE ASPIRATIONS OF THE REPATRIATED, NOT THE PRG RSV. UNQTE.

THIS WAS AN EXTREMELY BLATANT VIOLATION OF THE SOVEREIGNTY OF VIETNAM BY THE FORD ADMINISTRATION. THEY HAD ALREADY COMMITTED A CRIME IN THE PAST WHEN THEY DECEIVED AND FORCED PEOPLE TO EMIGRATE. NOW THEY INTEND TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE ASPIRATIONS OF SOME PEOPLE WANTING TO RETURN TO THEIR COUNTRY, SEEKING TO CONTINUE MISLEADING PUBLIC OPINION AND CARRYING ON THEIR SCHEME TO OPPOSE THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE AND INFRINGE UPON VIETNAM'S SOVEREIGNTY, THUS PERPETRATING A NEW AND INEXCUSABLE CRIME.

ALONG WITH STUBBORNLY OPPOSING UN MEMBERSHIP FOR THE DRV AND THE PRG, THE FORD ADMINISTRATION IS TRYING TO SEND A SHIP TO SOUTH VIETNAM WHEN IT HAS NOT YET BEEN GRANTED PERMISSION. THIS IS A VIOLATION OF VIETNAM'S SOVEREIGNTY AND AN EXTREMELY VILE AND BASE HOSTILE ACT STEMMING FROM THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE. BY THIS RECKLESS ACT IT ALSO TRIES TO SHIRK RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE CRIME OF FORCING MORE THAN 100,000 OF OUR COMPATRIOTS TO LEAVE THEIR BIRTHPLACES. THIS ACT WILL CERTAINLY BE VEHEMENTLY OBJECTED TO AND CONDEMNED BY BOTH WORLD AND US OPINION.

QUAN DOI NHAN DAN CONTINUES: OUR PEOPLE'S ATTITUDE IS VERY CLEAR. WE WISH TO PUT AN EARLY END TO ALL SEPARATION INFLICTED BY US IMPERIALISM ON TENS OF THOUSANS OF VIETNAMESE FAMILIES, BUT WE ARE RESOLVED NOT TO ALLOW US IMPERIALISM TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS FACT TO IMPLEMENT ITS SINISTER SCHEME. IN ITS 4 OCT STATEMENT THE PRGRSV CLEARLY POINTED OUT THAT EACH SUBSTANTIAL CASE OF THOSE VIETNAMESE WHO HAD BEEN DECEIVED AND FORCED BY THE UNITED STATES TO FOLLOW IT IN ITS FLIGHT AND WHO HAVE SUBMITTED UNCLASSIFIED

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APPLICATIONS FOR REPATRIATION WILL BE CONSIDERED AND SATISFACTORILY RESOLVED.

THE FORD ADMINISTRATION SHOULD REALIZE THAT PERMITTING OVERSEAS VIETNAMESE TO RETURN HOME IS PROBLEM WHICH FALLS UNDER THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE'S SOVEREIGNTY. AS LONG AS IT HAS NOT YET BEEN CONSIDERED AND PERMITTED BY THE PRGRSV, THE FORD ADMINISTRATION MUST REFRAIN FROM ACTING RECKLESSLY.

IF IT PERSISTS IN ACTING ARROGANTLY AND UNILATERALLY, IT
WILL HAVE TO BEAR ALL CONSEQUENCES ARISING FROM ITS ERR-
ONEOUS ACT.

BY CONTINUING ITS POLICY OF OPPOSING THE VIETNAMESE
PEOPLE, THE FORD ADMINISTRATION HAS EXPOSED ITS OWN REACT-
IONARY FACE BEFORE THE WORLD'S PEOPLE AND WILL CERTAINLY
BE EVER MORE ISOLATED AND SUFFER EVER MORE LAMENTABLE
DEFEAT. END TEXT. KISSINGER

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